(c) what steps have been taken to re view the list of drugs used in eye prepa rations; and

(d) what is the basis in which common. used effective drugs for Trachoma Con. tiol have been identified and who has done thi}, identification?

THE MINTSTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) te (.c) A Conunittee ot experts was constituted to review the list of drugs which figures under Category-I of drug price control order, 1987. The Oommittee has submitted its report on 811-1988.

(d) Ideatification of the commonly used effective drugs for trachoma control has been done by experts on the basis of effec-tivity of tlie medicine is easy availability, and related safety.

Procurement of drugs from states for Nationa] Health Programme

542. SHRI JAGESH DESAI: Will the Mnister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 4203 giveln in the Rajya Sabha on the 31st Agust. 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Laxame-thascne. Betamethasone Chloraniphenical Framycetin, Gentemycin. and Polymixin eye preparations are also purchased for National Health Programme directly or indirectly through states;

(b) if so, what were their purchases/ procurement during the year 1986-87 and 1987-88;

(c) what were the purchases|procure-ment of Tetracycline and Hydrocortisone during the same period; and I

(d) whether it is a fact that all the drugs used for National Health Programme have not been listed in Category-I and what steps have taken to board base Category-I list?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (at to (d) Informtiaon is being collected and will be laid on the table of the Sabha.

Necessary drugs for National Health Programme

543. SHRI JAGESH DESAl: Will the Miniser of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE b_e pleased to refer the answer to Unstarred Question 2662 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 17th August, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it ig a fact that Government have drawn up a list of 60 drugs being considered necessary for National Health Programme;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the list was given to the representative of Department of Chsmicals and if so, the details thereof and when was it given,

(c) if so, what are th_e drugs ra this list; ″
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(d) whether it is a fact that all the programmes are not covered in the list; and

(e) if so. the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOT] LAL VORA): (a) to (e) A list of 60 drugs was drawn up and sent to the Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals ou 4th June, 1987. The list is annexed. *[See* Appendix CXLVIII, Annexure No. 26].

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Doee not arise.

Review of drugs in category-I

544 SHRI JAGESH DESAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2662 given

in Rajya Sabha ca 17th August, 1988 and state:

(a) whether Government have set up a Committee to review the list of Category-diugs and what are the terms of references of the Committee;

(b) *by* when the committee would submit its reports;

whether his Ministry or its nominee ia the committee has failed to even give the representations received for considera- tion of the Conunittee;

(d) if so, the reasons thereof and the details of representations received; and

(e) what is the total numbej of National Health Programmes and what are the basis of deciding National Health Programmes?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. ' The terms of inferences of the Committee were to review the list of drugs which figures under Category I in Drug Price Control Order, 1987 and examine any other representationsUuggestions for inclusion of essential drugs under Category I/Category II. The Committee has submitted its re port regarding Category T drugs on 8.11.88.

(ei No. Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) The- total number of National Hea lth Programmes identified for Drug Price Control under Category I of the Drug Price Control Order, 1987 is eleven. The basis of identification of National Health Programme broadly is that the diseases have a potential for inter-state spread, the disea'ses produce a National Problem and there are effective measures available to tackle the disease on a national scale.

Kelkar committees on drugs in category

545. DR. G. VDAYA MOHAN REDDY. Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 4125 given in Rajya Sabha on 31st August, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it e a fact that the constitution of Kelkar Committee was decided by the Cabinet and was announced in the measures announced in December 1986;

(b) whether it is a fact that the representatives nominated by his Ministry on the Kelkar Committee were a part and parcel thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that one of the criteria decided for identifying Categcry-II drugs by the committee was that drugs having sales more than Rupees lacs in 1986 would be included in the list;

(d) what are the reasons for non veri fication of facts by his nominees and how drugs such as Nandrolon Deconate, Ethyl Estranol, Nandrolone phenly Prosion, Pxyfedfrine Hcl, Norgestrol, Testosterone, Propionate etc., having sales turn over in crores got excluded; and

(e) what steps have been taken to che ck the ommissions?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) The Department of Chemicals arid Petro-Chemicals has informed the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare that constitutition of a Committee i for identifying drugs to be included in Category II was announced in the Measures.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Committee had adopted this ' as one of the criteria for excluding drugs 1 for Category II from the W.H.O. list as well as its own list.

(d) and (e) Various representations re ceived on this matter were referred to IKelkar Committee for its consideration. One report rs under examination.